

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS22552

This bill provides a one-time supplemental appropriation to the Department of Fish and Game for fiscal year 2014 in the amount of \$2,229,900. Additional spending authority is provided for three programs: Wildlife, Fisheries, and Communications.

Additional funding of \$1,050,500 is included for wildlife habitat maintenance on wildlife management areas, population surveys, wildlife research, and sportsmen outreach; to conduct a multi-species survey and habitat assessment for a variety of non-game species in Northern Idaho; to implement habitat improvement remediation efforts for long-term damage caused by mining in the Coeur d'Alene River basin; and to develop an integrated wildlife protection component in the transportation planning process. Additional funding of \$1,014,100 is included for Fisheries projects including money to install fish screens, fish bypass systems and fishways in the upper Salmon River drainage; moneys to monitor the success of salmon and steelhead released from Idaho Power Hatcheries; moneys to collect samples from salmon and steelhead that return to department hatcheries; moneys to investigate the loss of juvenile Snake River sockeye during out-migration from Redfish Lake to Lower Granite Dam; moneys to monitor the effectiveness of habitat improvement actions on the Potlatch and Lemhi rivers; moneys to enhance the Yellowstone cutthroat trout population on the South Fork of the Snake River; and moneys to support graduate student research addressing management of Westslope cutthroat trout in the Clearwater drainage and management of Bull trout in the Pend Oreille River drainage. And lastly, the bill includes \$165,300 to provide authorization to spend donations and program income to cover increasing operating costs at the MK Nature Center; moneys for shooting range improvements; and moneys to add a recruitment and retention component to the hunter education program.

FISCAL NOTE

	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2014 Original Appropriation	567.00	0	48,986,300	40,059,100	89,045,400
Department of Fish and Game					
1. Wildlife Projects	0.00	0	237,800	812,700	1,050,500
2. Fisheries Projects	0.00	0	215,700	798,400	1,014,100
3. Communications Projects	0.00	0	45,000	120,300	165,300
FY 2014 Total Appropriation	567.00	0	49,484,800	41,790,500	91,275,300
Chg from FY 2014 Orig Approp	0.00	0	498,500	1,731,400	2,229,900
% Chg from FY 2014 Orig Approp.	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	4.3%	2.5%

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